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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the "Cross Reference to Related Applications" section with the following amended section:

-- CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

The following applications are incorporated herein by reference in their entirety:

"Architecture Neutral Exception Handling" and "Token Based Linking," each naming Joshua B. Susser and Judith E. Schwabe as inventors, which are being filed concurrently with the present application; and

"Virtual Machine with Securely Distributed Bytecode Verification," naming Moshe Levy and Judy Schwabe as inventors, filed April 15, 1997.

Cross Reference to Related Applications:

U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/243,107, filed February 2, 1999, in the names of inventors Judith E. Schwabe and Joshua Susser, entitled "Zero Overhead" Exception Handling", Attorney Docket No. SUN-P3732, commonly assigned herewith;

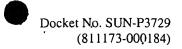
U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/243,108, filed February 2, 1999, in the names of inventors Judith E. Schwabe and Joshua Susser, entitled "Token-Based Linking", Attorney Docket No. SUN-P3730, commonly assigned herewith;

<u>U.S. Patent Serial No. 10/664,216, entitled "Virtual Machine with Securely Distributed Bytecode Verification" by inventors Moshe Levy and Judith E. Schwabe, filed on September 16, 2003, Attorney Docket No. SUN-P3263CNT3, which is a continuation of U.S. Patent Serial No. 10/283,305, now U. S. Patent 6,640,279, entitled "Virtual Machine with Securely Distributed Bytecode Verification" by inventors Moshe</u>

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Levy and Judith E. Schwabe, filed on October 30, 2002, Attorney Docket No. SUN-P3263CNT2, which is a continuation of U. S. Patent Serial No. 09/547,225, now U. S. Patent 6,546,454, entitled "Virtual Machine with Securely Distributed Bytecode Verification" by inventors Moshe Levy and Judith E. Schwabe, filed on April 11, 2000, Attorney Docket No. SUN-P3263CNT, which is a continuation of parent application serial no. 08/839,621, now U. S. Patent 6,092,147, filed April 15, 1997 entitled "Virtual Machine with Securely Distributed Bytecode Verification" by inventors Moshe Levy and Judith E. Schwabe, Attorney Docket No. SUN-P3263, commonly assigned herewith; and

In addition, an Appendix entitled "Java Card™ Virtual Machine Specification:

Java Card Version 2.1" is attached to this application and forms a part of the present specification.--